ANNOUNCEMENT



2020 SKATE CANADA: ALBERTA-NWT/NUNAVUT SECTIONALS

October 31-November 3, 2019
Seven Chiefs Sportsplex
9911 Chiila Boulevard
Tsuut'ina Nation, Calgary, AB T2W 6H6
Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut
Skate Canada

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PURPOSE OF SECTIONALS

Sectionals identify the top skaters in each province for advancement to the next round of qualifying events ultimately leading to the Canadian Figure Skating Championships. Sectionals is a skater's first exposure to competitive stream competition and is to be organized from a technical perspective as closely as possible to the Canadian Championships in terms of rules and competitive experience.

Each Sectionals event is the property of Skate Canada and may be sponsored locally in accordance with Skate Canada's Marketing Guidelines. The planning and execution of each Sectional Championship is delegated to the Section and/or its host committee with support from Skate Canada nationally, and the event is under the technical supervision of a Technical Representative assigned by the Section.

Sectionals allows the Section to feature their talented skaters, train officials and volunteers, recognize sponsors, and provide entertaining skating for audiences at the provincial level.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Sectionals will be conducted in accordance with the Skate Canada Qualifying Competition Handbook and the CPC Regulations for specific rules governing qualifying events and events run in the CPC System. Discipline specific pre-event technical packages, ISU Communications and clarifications should also be referred to in preparation for the upcoming season.

Rules governing Sectional Championships also apply to any sub-sectional or other sectional elimination rounds unless otherwise stated in this announcement.

If there are fewer entries than the normal quota allotted to each section in any Sectional competition, the Section may elect to cancel the competition and may approve the entry of the relevant competitors to the Skate Canada Challenge competition of the same category (if applicable).

COMPETITION CONTACT INFORMATION

Central Registration	skateabreg@gmail.com
Technical Representative	Deirdre Coburn <u>deirdre.coburn@gmail.com</u>
Event Inquiries	Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section Office <u>competitions@skateabnwtnun.ca</u> 780-415-0465 / Toll Free 1-866-294-0663



ICE SURFACES

Competition & Practice Arena Seven Chiefs Sportsplex 9911 Chiila Boulevard Tsuut'ina Nation, AB T2W 6H6

Ice Surface Size Arena One: 85' x 200' Arena Two: 85' x 200'

ACCOMMODATIONS

Listed below is the official hotel for the event:

Grey Eagle Resort & Casino 3779 Grey Eagle Drive Calgary, AB T3E 3X8

Rate: \$134 including full deluxe buffet breakfast (plus applicable taxes)

To Book: Call: 403-719-8777 or 1-844-719-8777

The block code is 417952 Group Name: Skate Canada. Block booking deadline for the rate is October 8, 2019.



ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

Entrants in Canadian Championships events, or qualifying events for Canadian Championships shall be:

- (1) **REGISTRANTS:** Be registrants in good standing of the Association.
- (2) **CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP:** Be Canadian citizens within the meaning of the Citizenship Act, RSC 1985. If the individual is not a Canadian citizen, such individual must have permanent resident status and have resided in Canada for at least one year prior to the date of the Championships they wish to enter. Also, if the entrant is of legal age, the entrant must file a declaration to indicate that he intends in good faith to become a Canadian citizen. If the entrant is an alien minor, he and the living parents (or guardians if both parents are deceased) must have also filed a sworn statement with the Chief Executive Officer of Skate Canada that said minor intends to become a citizen as soon as legally possible.

In the case of a Pair or Dance couple, at least one partner must be a Canadian citizen. The other partner may be a citizen or resident of a country of any other ISU Member and need not reside in Canada.

All Non-Canadian citizens interested in competing in the 2019-2020 Skate Canada Qualifying Competitions are required to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application. In order to be eligible to compete in the 2019-2020 Skate Canada Qualifying Competition, you must present an "Acceptance" letter from the Skate Canada National Office when you register for entry into the 2019-2020 Qualifying Competition.

NOTE: Pre-Juvenile & Juvenile competitors do not require a release for competing at Sectionals as they are non-qualifying categories

For more information visit the Skate Canada Info Centre > <u>Non-Canadian Citizens: Eligibility to Compete</u>

Deadline to complete the Non-Canadian Citizen Application Form: August 25, 2019

ANTI-DOPING POLICY AND DOPING CONTROL POLICY: Agree to be subject to Association rules and regulations regarding doping controls, on an announced or unannounced basis, as determined by the Board of Directors from time to time. Such rules and regulations shall be entitled "Skate Canada Anti-Doping Policy and Doping Control Program" and shall be made available to potential entrants upon request to their Section or the National Office. (See Skate Canada Policies and Procedures.)



QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

- (1) TEST PREREQUISITES: Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall have passed the tests as listed in the Skate Canada Info Centre > Rule Book > Competitions before October 1st preceding the Championships. A skater may also be considered qualified having passed a higher test or parts thereof as long as the minimum test requirement is fulfilled.
- (2) **AGE PREREQUISITES:** Competitors wishing to enter Sectionals and events leading to Sectionals shall meet the age requirements to compete as listed.
- (3) **COMPETING IN SINGLES AT SECTIONALS:** A skater may compete in Singles events only in the Championships of the Section in which their home club/school is a member.
- (4) **COMPETING IN PAIR OR DANCE AT SECTIONALS:** A Pair or Dance team composed of skaters having clubs/schools_in different Sections may enter the group event of the Sectional Championships of any one, but only one, of the Sections represented by its members. The Chair of each Section concerned must be advised as to which championship the group will enter.

ENTRY FEES

Singles:	Pre-Juvenile to Juvenile Pre-Novice to Senior	\$130/entry, no practice ice included \$290/entry, 2 practices included
Dance:	Pre-Juvenile to Juvenile Pre-Novice to Senior	\$260/team, no practice ice included \$290/team, 2 practices included
Pair:	Pre-Juvenile to Juvenile Pre-Novice to Senior	\$130/team, no practice ice included \$290/team, 2 practices included

Pair and Dance registrations: one partner is to complete the registration for the team.

All payments must be made online through the Uplifter registration system at the time of registration.

REFUND OF ENTRY FEES

Entry fees shall be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of close of entries. There will be a \$10.00 administration fee applied to all refunds. After the closing date of entries, there will be no refunds given for any reason, including medical pulls. No exceptions.



ENTRY INFORMATION & ENTRY DEADLINE

Entry forms must be submitted online at <u>https://skateabnwtnun.uplifterinc.com/</u> with entry fees no later than **Wednesday, September 25th, 2019 at 12:00pm (noon) MT.**

You will be required to upload the following items in order to complete your registration (as applicable):

- Proof of Canadian Citizenship (if born outside of Canada)
- Program Music (in MP3 format) See page 8 for complete music submission details. Ensure the correct version of music is being uploaded.
- Technical Element Scores (TES) (if applicable)

TES SUBMISSION INFORMATION: Results from Section competitions have been reviewed for qualifying TES scores. Achievements of meeting the minimum required TES score for each applicable category have been loaded to skater profiles in Uplifter. If you achieved your minimum TES score at a competition outside of the Section, send a copy of your skater detail sheet to Central Registration at skateabreg@gmail.com and we will review and load the achievement into the skater's profile. Contact Central Registration if you have any questions or feel your minimum TES score achievement is missing.

For skaters who have not yet achieved their minimum TES score but are competing at the Fall Competitive Invitational, you must register in the "2020 Sectionals Registration – Pending Qualifying Points" category in Uplifter and select the desired Sectionals category. There will be no entry fee required at the time of registration. If you achieve your minimum score at the Fall Competitive Invitational, you will be contacted on Monday, September 30, 2019 to complete your registration and submit payment.

LATE ENTRIES: The acceptance of late entries is at the discretion of the Section in consultation with the Technical Representative. Late entries, if accepted, will have a \$100 late entry fee applied.

PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS & DEADLINE

Planned programs must be submitted by **12:00pm (noon) MT on October 25, 2019**.

Planned Program Sheets are required for all events. There will be a \$20 fee per segment for failing to register your Planned Program Sheet by the deadline. Skaters will not be permitted to register at the competition until the late fee has been paid and their Planned Program Sheet completed.

NOTE: If you have submitted a planned program sheet for a Section competition in the 2019 – 2020 season (first event of the season being 2019 Wild Rose Invitational), you are only required to submit a new planned program sheet if there has been a change to your program. Only the most recent version will be used.

Submit your Planned Program Sheets here: <u>https://skateabnwtnun.uplifterinc.com/</u>



RESTRICTIONS TO ENTRY

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions

TEST AND AGE PREREQUISITES FOR COMPETING

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > Competition Program Requirements - Competitive

TECHNICAL ELEMENT SCORES

Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut requires the following minimum Technical Element Score (TES) for registration in the 2020 Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Sectionals:

- Pre-Juvenile U11 Women TES 8
- Juvenile U12 & U14 Women TES 10.5
- Pre-Novice Women TES 18
 - TES 20 for events that followed 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 program requirements
- Novice Women TES 23
 - TES 22 for events that followed 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 program requirements
- Junior Women TES 24
- Senior Women TES 30

Refer to the **2020 Sectional Championships – Qualifying Technical Element Scores** document for complete information regarding the TES.

The Sectional Qualifying TES Scores differ from the 2020 Challenge Qualifying TES Scores. Refer to the Skate Canada Info Centre for the 2020 Challenge Qualifying Procedures.

PRACTICE ICE

Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior categories: official practice ice is provided for these categories and is included in the cost of the registration fees.

Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile categories: practice ice may be available for purchase. Information regarding Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile practice availability will be sent to competitors if practice ice is available.

Please opt in to messages in Uplifter to ensure you receive all communications.



MUSIC SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Music Registration

- a. Online music registration will require each skater or team to submit an mp3 file of their program music and the music time online at the time of their registration
- b. Music files will not be kept so skaters and teams will be required to submit their music for each individual competition.
- c. Each skater or team will be required to submit a copy of their music on CD when registering onsite as a backup. If there have been changes to the music after submission during registration, 2 CD's must be provided at onsite registration and the registration personnel must be notified that there has been a change.

Coaches/skaters are recommended to carry a backup CD and/or iPod or similar device.

Labelling

Skaters or team's first and last name(s), category name, total music time (not skating time) and home club shall be clearly printed:

- a. Identify the CD by writing on the front of the CD using a permanent marker.
- b. DO NOT write on the recorded side of CD
- c. Label the back of the CD case. Do not apply stick on labels to the CD.

Recording Specifications

- d. The only format for online upload of music will be mp3.
- e. Only one program (using one track only) shall be recorded on each CD.
- f. Music shall be recorded on the CD not less than .25 second and not more than .5 second after the play button is pressed on the CD player.

All music used must be in the public domain or covered by the performing rights societies.

Competitors who have music composed specifically for their programs either wholly or in part, are responsible for obtaining a written release from the composer for the use of such music on radio and/or television or appropriate clearance from the performing rights societies.



ONSITE REGISTRATION

Refer to the Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions

Pre-Novice, Novice, Junior and Senior competitors must register for the competition before their official practice session immediately prior to the first segment of their event to receive their event.

Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile competitors must register prior to any Sectionals practice that they purchase. If they do not purchase any Sectionals practice ice, then the skater is to register onsite 1 hour prior to their scheduled flight.

Skaters must register at the registration desk to receive their accreditation tag and hand in both their Short and Free program music (when applicable) prior to accessing practice ice or for their competition event. Skaters must wear their accreditation tag to access dressing rooms, practice ice and competition ice areas.

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA SECTIONALS

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > <u>Competitions</u>

SELECTION OF ENTRIES FROM SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE

Refer to Skate Canada Rule Book > Competitions



SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTS

Refer to **Skate Canada Guides** for the current season Technical Requirements for each category

- 1. PRE-JUVENILE EVENTS
 - (a) **PRE-JUVENILE U11 WOMEN SINGLES & PRE-JUVENILE U11 & U13 MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions will consist of one part:
 - (i) **FREE PROGRAM**
 - (b) **PRE-JUVENILE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition will consist of one part:
 - (i) **FREE PROGRAM**
 - (c) **PRE-JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition will consist of two parts:

(i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2019-2020 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Fiesta Tango and Willow Waltz.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**

2. JUVENILE EVENTS

- (a) JUVENILE U12 & U14 WOMEN SINGLES & JUVENILE U12 & U14 MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP: These competitions will consist of one part:
 - (i) FREE PROGRAM
- (b) JUVENILE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition will consist of one part:
 - (i) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) JUVENILE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition will consist of two parts:

(i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2019-2020 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Willow Waltz and Foxtrot.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**



3. PRE-NOVICE EVENTS

- (a) **PRE-NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & PRE-NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions will consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) **PRE-NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition will consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (c) **PRE-NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition will consist of two parts:
 - (i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2019-2020 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Starlight Waltz and Paso Doble.

- (ii) **FREE DANCE**
- 4. NOVICE EVENTS
 - (a) **NOVICE WOMEN SINGLES & NOVICE MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions will consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
 - (b) NOVICE PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
 - (c) NOVICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:

(i) **PATTERN DANCES**

Dances to be skated as per the 2019-2020 Ice Dance Program Requirements are the Starlight Waltz and Quickstep.

(ii) **FREE DANCE**



5. JUNIOR EVENTS

- (a) JUNIOR WOMEN SINGLES & JUNIOR MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP: These competitions shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) **FREE PROGRAM**
- (b) JUNIOR PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
- (c) JUNIOR DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) **RHYTHM DANCE**
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE**
- 6. SENIOR EVENTS
 - (a) **SENIOR WOMEN SINGLES AND MEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**: These competitions shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
 - (b) SENIOR PAIR SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) SHORT PROGRAM
 - (ii) FREE PROGRAM
 - (c) **SENIOR ICE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP**: This competition shall consist of two parts:
 - (i) **RHYTHM DANCE**
 - (ii) **FREE DANCE**



COACHES ACCREDITATION

Skate Canada Policies and Procedures shall apply.

In order to receive your accreditation tag from Skate Canada at Sectionals, Skate Canada professional coaches must meet the following conditions:

- > Meet the NCCP Requirements for the level of athlete attending with
- > Be a current Professional Coaching Member of Skate Canada in good standing

ACCREDITATION MATRIX

As per the NCCP pathways, coaches may obtain accreditation privileges provided the qualifications in the accreditation matrix below are valid at time of competition entry and on-site during the event. The Skate Canada qualifying events are categorized below as events 1-4.

EVENT #				COACH MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING				
Categories	1	2	3	4	Registered	First Aid	Screening	NCCP Certification
Pre-Juvenile	~	N/A	N/A	N/A	~	~	~	Regional Coach
Juvenile	~	N/A	N/A	N/A	~	~	~	Regional Coach
Pre-Novice	~	~	N/A	N/A	~	~	~	Provincial Coach
Novice	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	National Coach
Junior	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	National Coach
Senior	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	National Coach

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Coaches who are in the process of achieving a <u>NCCP certification</u> may be considered for accreditation provided the necessary in-training or trained status as stipulated in the relevant NCCP coach pathway is achieved.
- Non-resident coaches who do not coach in a Skate Canada club or skating school may be considered for accreditation provided that a valid screening is provided at time of competition entry and on-site at events.

Two coaches per entry will be accredited. Only two coaches will be allowed at ice level as determined by the skater/team.

Coaches must wear their accreditation tag to access dressing rooms, practice ice and competition ice areas.



JUDGING SYSTEM

The Cumulative Points Calculation (CPC) Judging System will be used for all event categories.

MEDALS

Skate Canada Sectional medals will be presented to the top three finishers of each event. In the case of only one entry in an event, an exhibition shall be performed but no medal shall be awarded. The medal presentation schedule will be available at the event.

ACCIDENTS / LIABILITY

Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section, Skate Canada and the volunteer team undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in these Championships, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competitions and to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the association, the Section, Skate Canada, the volunteer team and against their officers and their entries shall be accepted only on these conditions.

CAMERA POLICY

Flash photography is not permitted. Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut would encourage you to not use cameras or video equipment during Skate Canada organized events out of respect for the safety of competing athletes. There will be a photographer onsite where you will be able to purchase professional pictures taken of your skater(s).

LIVE STREAMING / PHOTOGRAPHY

The event may be photographed and/or live streamed. By virtue of your registration for the competition, you are consenting to being included in the live streaming/photography of this event that will help to train others and to promote skating in Canada. You release Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut, its officers and employees, and each and all persons involved from any liability connected with the video & audio recordings. By attending and competing at the competition, you waive any right to inspect or approve any video or audio recordings taken by Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut. If you do not wish to have your skate photographed or live streamed, inform the Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut Section Office. We cannot guarantee that you will not be photographed or live streamed, but we will do our best to accommodate the request.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Any rules or communications published by the ISU after the date of posting may have an impact on the Sectional announcement.